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Brookfield, N. H.

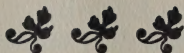


For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1908.

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OF THE
Town Officers
OF
Brookfield, N. H.

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Town Officers, 1907-8.

Moderator

JOHN F ROBINSON

Selectmen

CHARLES WILLEY

JAMES L COOK

WALTER L ROBINSON

Town Treasurer

SYLVESTER L SHORTRIDGE

Town Clerk

ROBERT L CHAMBERLAIN

Members of School Board

CHARLES WILLEY

FLORENCE EATON

ARTHUR SCEGGER

Collector

ASA A SHORTRIDGE

Supervisors of Check-List

JOHN F ROBINSON

MARTIN EATON

FRANK H WIGGIN

Librarian

MARY E COLMAN

Board of Health

JOHN F ROBINSON

JASPER T PALMER

Auditors

S H HUTCHINS

LESTER CHURCHILL

Constable

CHARLES B THOMES

Warrant for Annual Town Meeting.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.



To the Inhabitants of the Town of Brookfield, in the County of Carroll in said state, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in Sanbornville in said Brookfield on Tuesday, the tenth day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year or three years ensuing as the law requires.
2. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for breaking the roads for the year ending Feb. 15, 1908.
3. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for school supplies for the ensuing year.
4. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of the Public Library for the ensuing year.
5. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools above that required by law for the ensuing year.
6. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for the repairing of highways and bridges for the ensuing year.

7. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay for services of town officers and all necessary town expenses.

8. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this twenty-first day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eight.

CHARLES WILLEY } Selectmen of
JAMES L COOK } Brookfield.

Selectmen's Report.

Appropriations for 1907.

To pay State tax	\$265 00
To pay County tax	374 04
For school purposes	497 50
For winter highways, 1907	375 00
For summer highways, 1907	500 00
For town officers	125 00
For school supplies	60 00
Floor for selectmen's office	25 00
Extermination of brown-tail moths	100 00

Property of Town of Brookfield.

Town hall, lot and horse shed	\$1,000 00
Churchill school house	500 00
Hackett school house	500 00
Stoneham school house	500 00
Public library and fixtures	200 00
Fixtures in town hall and school houses	100 00
One road machine	100 00
Cemetery on Lyford road	100 00
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	\$3,000 00

Paid by Town Treasurer—Brookfield.

Solon A Carter, state tax	\$265 00
Edgar L Mills, county tax	374 04

Paid Town Officers.

Charles Willey, selectman	\$37 00
James L Cook “	32 00
Walter L Robinson “	28 00
Asa A Shortridge, collector	30 00
Sylvester L Shortridge, town treasurer	20 00
Sylvester L Shortridge, school treasurer	3 00
Robert L Chamberlain, town clerk	12 00
Charles Churchill, town clerk	5 00
Robert L Chamberlain, school clerk	3 00
Florence L Eaton, school board	10 00
Charles Willey, school board	10 00
Arthur L Sceggel, school board	5 00
John F Robinson, supervisor	6 00
Martin H Eaton, supervisor	6 00
Frank H Wiggin, supervisor	5 00
Charles B Thomes, constable	2 00
Mary E Colman, librarian	10 00
Stephen H Hutchins, auditor	2 00
Lester L Churchill, auditor	2 00
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	\$228 00

Summer Highway Bills—Extra.

Elihu M Rines	\$2 71
Charles I Churchill	2 05
Gilbert H Cook	1 86
Charles H Fifield	2 65
Martin H Eaton	17 05
Charles H Tutt	5 00
Lester L Churchill	6 30
James L Cook	9 15
Charles E Clark	2 88
James E Clark	6 52

James H Willey	\$5 00
John F Robinson	5 25
John L Hutchins	2 17
John C Canney	3 90
Charles Willey	5 40
L S Rogers	18 00
James L Cook	6 75
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	\$102 64

Miscellaneous Bills.

Sarah P Wiggin, board town officers	\$6 67
James F Weymouth, public watering place	3 00
James H Willey	3 00
Luther Sanborn	3 00
Charles Churchill, return of vital statistics	1 05
W S Davis, medical attendance Jennie LaFrance	9 00
Walter L Robinson, mowing town cemetery	1 00
Charles Willey, flooring for office and labor	16 00
Good Roads Machine Co., for repairs	9 20
Samuel S Eaton, decorating soldier's graves	5 00
Edson C Eastman, office supplies	5 27
John M Haynes, stove for office	15 00
George S Dorr, printing town reports	16 80
S L Shortridge, making town report for printer	2 00
Charles Willey, cash paid out	10 24
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	\$106 53

Paid Charles Churchill, Trustee.

Appropriation for library	\$15 90
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Paid Charles Willey, Member of School Board.

School supplies, spring term	\$33 89
School supplies, fall and winter terms	25 62
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	\$59 51

Paid Abatements.

Asa A Shortridge, on his list for 1907	\$12 45
Asa A Shortridge, on his list for 1906	1 22
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	\$13 67

For Support of Schools.

S L Shortridge, school treasurer	\$590 56
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Permanent Improvement.

Asa A Shortridge, on highway in District No. 5, for permanent improvement	\$17 36
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Winter Highway Bills—Extra.

John F Robinson, cutting out drifts	\$3 90
Langdon D Brown, labor on highway	4 50
George H Boston, work on highway Dis- trict No. 2, winter 1907	4 80
Samuel S Eaton, labor on highway in winter 1907 to Feb. 15, 1908	5 10

Charles H Tutt, breaking roads in District No. 3, winter 1907	\$3 40
Jesse Cotton, extra labor on highway in 1907	7 10
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	\$28 80

Repairs on Town Hall.

S L Shortridge, lumber and labor on belfry of town hall	\$80 94
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Damage by Dogs.

Gilbert H Cook, one sheep killed	\$4 00
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Winter Highway Bills Ending Feb. 15, 1907.

Asa A Shortridge, collector	\$367 51
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Exterminating Brown-tail Moths.

Herman H Sanborn, printing notices	\$2 00
Charles Willey, labor	11 20
Walter L Robinson, labor	9 85
James L Cook, labor	4 80
Charles Churchill, labor	1 60
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	\$29 45

General Statement, Feb. 15, 1908.

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S L Shortridge, town treasurer 1906	\$475 00
R L Chamberlain, dog licenses in part	45 60
State, railroad tax	\$56 95
Savings bank tax	378 49

Literary fund	\$34 16
Charles Churchill, dog licenses in full	17 40
Selectmen, rent of town hall	14 00
County, medical attendance	9 00
Asa A Shortridge, collector	2,203 29
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	\$3,233 95

PAID

Solon A Carter, state tax	\$265 00
Edgar L Mills, county tax	374 04
Town officers	228 00
Summer highway bills, extra	102 64
Miscellaneous bills	106 53
Charles Churchill, library trustee	15 90
Charles Willey, school supplies	59 51
Abatements on list of 1907	13 67
S L Shortridge, school treasurer	590 56
Permanent improvement	17 36
Winter highway bills, extra	28 80
S L Shortridge, on town hall	80 94
Gilbert H Cook, dog damage	4 00
Winter highway bills ending Feb. 15, 1907	367 51
Exterminating brown-tail moths	29 45
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	\$2,283 91
Cash in hands of S L Shortridge, town treasurer	950 04
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	\$3,233 95

BROOKFIELD, N. H., Feb. 21, 1908.

Having carefully examined the foregoing accounts we find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

STEPHEN H HUTCHINS	} Auditors of
L L CHURCHILL	
	} Brookfield

Report of School Board

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1908.

To the Citizens of Brookfield:

In preparing the report of schools we find little that is new to present for your consideration. Everything we might desire has not been accomplished, yet good work has been done, and in general, satisfactory results have been obtained.

Much care should be exercised in the selection of teachers for our ungraded school work, not only in regard to book qualifications, but in a thorough ability to impart knowledge to others in a practical manner, and should possess the highest standard of moral character. We cannot, owing to the circumstances, always have our choice of teachers, but in our rural schools we certainly need the best.

The work cannot be one steady advancement, as in the graded schools, yet it is more flexible, and an able teacher can accomplish a broad work. A little drawing or music introduced may, in some quiet child, to whom arithmetic is drudgery, arouse some latent talent and prove an endless source of pleasure and profit.

A large sum of money in proportion to the size of our town has been expended during the past year in education. The school board has endeavored to use these funds so as to give the pupils the best advantages within our means.

Your schools are largely what you make them. You vote money for their support and some of you seem quite willing to stop right here. But unless the parent takes a personal and active interest in the school it cannot do its complete work. One great fault with our school system is

that the parents are not in close enough touch with it. We invite you to visit the schools more frequently, not merely on "show" days, but when the regular work is being done, and see and hear for yourselves, as we have not assumed to "know it all."

We are highly gratified with the schools as a whole, though we find that some were not all that we could hope for. We have learned by experience that in this town, as in all others, there are "chronic grumblers," and we advise all to "take due notice and govern themselves accordingly" whenever such people are found to be boiling over.

Churchill School.

Spring term: Abbie S. Willey, teacher; number of weeks, 10; number of pupils, 30; average attendance, 22; number not absent one-half day, 7; wages per month including board, \$34.

Fall term: Abbie S. Willey, teacher; number of weeks, 8; number of pupils, 20; average attendance, 12; number not absent one-half day, 0; wages per month including board, \$34.

Winter term: Abbie S. Willey, teacher; number of weeks, 7; number of pupils, 13; average attendance, 10; number not absent one-half day, 1; wages per month including board, \$34.

Hackett School.

Spring term: Eleanor Fernald, teacher; number of weeks, 10; number of pupils, 15; average attendance, 10; number not absent one-half day, 2; wages per month including board, \$30.

Fall term: Mabel Alberta Pike, teacher; number of weeks, 8; number of pupils, 12; average attendance, 9; number not absent one-half day, 6; wages per month including board, \$34.

Winter term: Mabel Alberta Pike, teacher; number of weeks, 7; number of pupils, 11; average attendance, 10; number not absent one-half day, 9; wages per month including board, \$34.

Stoneham School.

Spring term: Dora E. Graham, teacher; number of weeks, 10; number of pupils, 11; average attendance, 10; number not absent one-half day, 3; wages per month including board, \$30..

Fall and winter terms: Dora E. Graham, teacher; number of weeks, 16; number of pupils, 14; average attendance, 10; number not absent one-half day, 3; wages per month including board, \$30.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES WILLEY	} School Board of Brookfield
ARTHUR SCEGCEL	
FLORENCE L EATON	

School Treasurer's Account.

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S L Shortridge, school treasurer, 1907	\$84 83
Arthur Sceggel, error on account, 1907	1 00
Town of Wolfeboro, tuition	6 50
Town treasurer, appropriation	497 50
Literary fund	28 06
School fund	39 60
Dog licenses	25 40
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PAID

Abbie S Willey, summer term, Churchill district	\$85 00
Abbie S Willey, fall and winter term, Churchill district	127 50
Eleanor Fernald, summer term, Hackett district	75 00
Mabel A Pike, fall term, Hackett district	68 10
Mabel A Wiggin, winter term, Hackett district	59 50
Dora Graham, summer term, Stoneham district	75 00
Dora Graham, winter term, Stoneham district	120 00
Samuel Eaton, cleaning vault, Hackett school	50
George Pike, sawing wood, Hackett school	1 25
M H Eaton, furnishing wood, Hackett school	5 25

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S H Hutchins, furnishing wood, Hackett school	1 00
John M Haynes, stove pipe, damper, setting up stove, etc	19 10
Arthur L Sceggel, school supplies, wood, etc	11 80
Charles Willey, 2 cords wood sawed, Churchill school	9 00
Leon M Willey, janitor, Churchill school	1 50
Godfrey Mattson, janitor, Hackett school	1 25
E A Himes, tuition	4 50
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Cash in hands of S L Shortridge, school treasurer	\$665 15
	17 74
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	\$682 89

BROOKFIELD, FEB. 21, 1908.

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STEPHEN H HUTCHINS } Auditors of
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Marriages Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1907.

DATE OF MARRIAGE	PLACE OF MARRIAGE	NAME AND SURNAME OF GROOM AND BRIDE	RESIDENCE OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE	AGE OF EACH IN YEARS	COLOR	BIRTHPLACE OF GROOM AND BRIDE OCCUPATION OF EACH AT TIME OF MARRIAGE	NAMES OF PARENTS	NUMBER OF MARRIAGE	NAME, OFFICIAL STATION AND RESIDENCE OF PERSONS BY WHOM MARRIED
Jan 19	Brookfield	Guy L Churchill	Brookfield	21	All white	Brookfield	Lester L Churchill	1	Rev John A Chapin Wakefield
Nov 24	"	Alice M Emerson	Stowe Me	26		Stowe Me	Hattie B Ferguson	1	
		Frank H Wiggin	Brookfield	31		School teacher	Leonard Emerson	1	
		Mabel A Pike	Harrison Me	21		Brookfield	Marilla Charles	1	Rev W J Wilkins Wakefield
Dec 11	Berwick Me	James L Cook	Brookfield	40		Harrison Me	George A Wiggin	1	
		Ida F Richards	Wakefield	34		School teacher	Amy B Ordway	1	
						Brookfield	Adna D Pike	1	
						Wakefield	Dora B Dunham	1	Rev Mark Stevens Wolfeboro
							Peter Cook	1	
							Sarah Gage	1	
							Charles Richards	1	
							Keziah Quimby	1	

Births Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1907.

DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD	MALE OR FEMALE	LIVING OR STILLBORN	NUMBER OF CHILD	COLOR	NAMES OF PARENTS	AGE OF PARENTS	BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS	RESIDENCE OF FATHER	OCCUPATION OF FATHER
April 9	Brookfield		f	All living	1	All white	George E West Lillian M Brown	23	Brookfield	Brookfield	Farmer
May 11	"		f	"	1	"	Frank Whitney	20	"	"	Actor
Nov 9	"	Randolph E	m	"	1	"	Jennie LaFrance Guy L Churchill Alice M Emerson	19 22 28	Old Orchard Me Canada Brookfield Stowe Me	"	Laborer

Deaths Registered in the Town of Brookfield, N. H., for the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1907.

DATE OF DEATH	PLACE OF DEATH	NAME AND SURNAME OF DECEASED	BIRTHPLACE OF DECEASED	AGE			COLOR	MARRIED SINGLE OR WIDOWED	OCCUPATION	NAMES OF PARENTS	BIRTHPLACE OF PARENTS
				YEARS	MONTHS	DAYS					
Nov 22	Brookfield	Betsey G Hamilton	Eaton	77	6	18	w	w	Housewife	John Hart Hannah Cottle	England Eaton

I hereby certify that the foregoing Marriages, Births and Deaths are correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CHARLES CHURCHILL, Town Clerk.

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